# Energy Futures Task Force 3/16/17 – recorded by Elise Woodward, Clerk Minutes Approved: 3/27/17

**Attending:** Pam Hill, Chair, John Dalton, Wally Johnston, Brian Foulds, Elise Woodward Citizens: Alice Kaufman, Select Board Liaison, Laura Scott, CMLP Liaison, Brad Hubbard-Nelson, CSEC Liaison

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:35 am.

Meeting minutes from meeting of March 9 were approved with Brian Foulds abstaining.

Correspondence: The task force has received a request to add a timeline of next steps for the warrant article to the report. The Chair noted that because the warrant article is not addressed in the report, it is not appropriate to include the timeline. ConcordCAN has asked Alice Kaufman to report on the role of government in energy planning at the meeting on March 21.

### Chair's Report

The final version of the report is in the hands of the task force members for final review today.

The final pdf of the report will be delivered electronically to the Chair of the Select Board today. The EFTF will present the final report to the Select Board at their meeting on 4/3.

The EFTF has elected to hold an information session for the public on March 29 in the Hearing Room of the Townhouse at 7:00 PM.

The next EFTF meeting will be 3/27 at 7:30 AM to prepare for the public information session. Elise will draft a powerpoint for the presentation.

## **Outreach Strategy**

Discussion followed regarding timing for an article to be submitted to the Concord Journal and ideas about making contact with certain committees and organizations such as the Light Board, the Finance Committee, the School Committee, Concord Business Partnership and the League of Women Voters. It was decided:

- Wally will contact the Concord Journal for information on posting the 3/29 public meeting to the newspaper calendar of upcoming events (press release), and requesting space for a Guest Commentary in the April 6 edition by 3/16.
- John will draft the press release by 3/19.
- Pam will write the Guest Commentary or letter to the editor by 4/3.
- John will draft a one page FAQ for the public information session by 3/27.

#### **Public Comment**

Laura questioned whether the Task Force expected support from CMLP for the warrant article. The Task Force responded that the recent Light Board meeting provided an open and honest conversation. It seemed that the Light Board was considering support for the article if appropriate language about increased electric rates were added to the motion. It is not clear to the EFTF that CMLP will have a point of view on the article except through the Light Board and Select Board.

#### Final Report

The Chair acknowledged the hard work of the task force in completing the final draft of the report and noted that the document is one we can be proud of as compared to the incomplete initial draft.

John Dalton made a motion to approve the final report as drafted with minor administrative changes to be made during the meeting. Brian Foulds seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote 5-0. The Chair noted that Dan Gainsboro was not able to attend the meeting but had communicated his support for the final report and his intention to vote to support the motion.

During the reminder of the meeting, the Task Force agreed on the minor edits to correct spelling, formatting, pagination, syntax and other administrative changes.

The Chair agreed to continue to work with Wally Johnston to complete the pagination and to prepare an electronic copy of the report to send to the Chair of the Select Board.

The meeting was adjourned by 9:40 AM.